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Sen. Brown to read to area elementary schools students in recognition of 'March is Reading Month'

LANSING – State Sen. Cameron S. Brown, R-Fawn River Township, today announced he will read to elementary school students throughout the 16th Senate District in celebration of “March is Reading Month.”

“I am happy to participate in ‘March is Reading Month,’” Brown said. “Reading is the foundation of learning. It is important to instill a love of reading and learning in our children at a young age.”

Beginning Friday, March 3, Brown will speak to a Quincy High School government class at 12:15 p.m. and will then read to three classes at Jennings Elementary School between 1 and 2 p.m. Brown will wrap up the day by speaking to Quincy High School government students about his duties as a state senator between 2:15 and 2:45 p.m.

Brown will continue the celebrations Monday, March 6 by reading to kindergarten through second-grade students at Wenzel Elementary School in Sturgis from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The day will conclude with Brown reading at Jerolene School’s Family Evening in Sturgis at 6:30 p.m.

Brown will be reading “So You Want to be President” by Judith St. George. The book is illustrated by artist David Small, a Mendon constituent who lives in Brown’s district. The book offers insight on the qualifications and characteristics of United States presidents, from George Washington to Bill Clinton.

“This book provides readers with interesting facts about the real people behind the presidency,” Brown said. “I’m glad I have this opportunity to share my love of reading and history with children throughout the 16th Senate District.”

Each year, school children throughout Michigan celebrate “March is Reading Month.” The purpose is to highlight reading as a fun activity that children and parents can do together, while promoting literacy.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, approximately 40 percent of students across the nation cannot read at a basic level. Learning to read and the promotion of reading needs to start at an early age and continue throughout life.